Minutes of Cultural and Historic Resource Sub-Committee And the Planning Commission

November 10, 2009

Present: Chris Clark, Kim Grimes, Cathy Stump, Janet Lyons, Agnes DiPietrantonio

Absent: Harry Haon, Mary Pat Kyle, Winnie Lewis

Members of the Public Present: none

Meeting called to order 1:30 PM by Agnes DiPietrantonio in the absence of Winnie Lewis

Motion to approve minutes of 10/13/09 – Chris Clark Second – Kim Grimes All in favor Minutes of 10/13/09 approved



Discussion and Possible Action:

- Oral History Project
 - o Activities will continue
 - Need to update text in Town Hall and on Web Site
 - Focus this year on commercial community folks who owned businesses and/or worked at local businesses
 - Need a comprehensive listing of current, past and "transformed" businesses both in town and out. Will organize them by decades and collect oral history of owners/folks who worked there.
 - Cathy Stump and Kim Grimes expressed a need to engage the commercial community in the effort. They noted that Amy and Steve Vickers are enthusiastic as is Scott Fornwalt. They will contact the Mumfords and Audrey Serio about forming a core group to assist the sub-committee with research and staging a program for 2010.
 - Agnes DiPietrantonio will write a letter to all commercial enterprises in town and invite then to join the meeting in January
 - After that meeting, the commercial community is encouraged to form a small group and to appoint one or two spokespersons to liaise with the sub-committee.
 - Suggestions for research activities include viewing display ads from old newspapers. These will give insight into what businesses were in town as well as ads that can be copied and put on display. Chris Clark volunteered to assist if Harry Haon will help.
- 3-year Plan DRAFT
 - o 09-10 Commercial Community
 - o 10-11 Combine residential and commercial info
 - 11-12 Ultimate goal is to fill in what is missing and combine all info into an audio tour.

Other Business

Kim Grimes will check with DE Humanities Forum on status of balance of funds

- Funding to Phase II Kim Grimes advised that a funding request could be made
 of the DE Humanities Forum but a lot depends on what kind of project/event is
 proposed.
- Council Member Weistling will be asked to advocate for the sub-committee with Council at budget time. Since council approved up to \$3000 for Old Fenwick Island Days, the group determined that council might agree to budgeting this amount for activities. This amount would be used as a match against a grant as well as for other expenses.
- Scott Fornwalt (Fenwick Crab House) donated a supply of original postcards that can be used as a fund-raising item. These are original from Edwards 5 and Dime and can easily sell for \$5 each as they have been sold on E-Bay for \$10 each. Kim Grimes will phone manufacturer to determine if others are available
- Chris Clark asked status of "Isle of Bali H'ai" sign that was previously suggested. He will talk with Bill Weistling about cost, etc and report back
- Kim Grimes suggested bringing back "Libby's" horse.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Tuesday November 10, 2009 @1:30 PM – Members should bring oral histories at this time.

Motion to Adjourn – Chris Clark Second – Janet Lyons All in favor. Meeting adjourned 2:25 PM

Respectfully submitted

Agnes DiPietrantonio TOFI recorder